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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Clark et al.



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Group Art Unit: 2873

For: Tinted Contact Lenses

Examiner: J. Schwartz

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2002, kindly enter and consider the following amendments:

In the Claims:

1. (once amended) A contact lens, comprising at least one surface comprising a base layer having a clear central zone and a translucent color zone of a uniform color and one or more additional color layers selected from the group consisting essentially of a second translucent color layer, an opaque color layer, or a combination thereof, wherein each of the one or more additional color layers has a clear central zone and a color zone.

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